

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph at page 15, line 17, to page 16, line 6, as follows:

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The active map 115 of the active file system 110 is a bitmap associated with the vacancy of blocks for the active file system 110. The respective snapmaps 140, 145, 150 and 155 are active maps that can be associated with particular snapshots 120, 125, 130 and 135. A summary map 160 is an inclusive OR of the snapmaps 140, 145, 150 and 155. Also shown are other blocks 117 ~~115~~ including double indirect blocks 130 and 132, indirect blocks 165, 166 and 167 and data blocks 170, 171, 172 and 173. Finally, Figure 1 shows the spacemap 180 including a collection of spacemap blocks of numbers 182, 184, 186, 188 and 190.

Please amend the paragraph at page 17, line 5 to 7, as follows:

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In a preferred embodiment, file blocks are 4096 bytes and inodes are 128 bytes. It follows that each block of the inode file contains 32 (i.e. 4,096/128) separate inodes that point to other blocks 117 ~~115~~ in the active file system.

Please amend the paragraph at page 23, lines 3 to 7, as follows:

B3 An inode block 281 in the inode file 202 points to other blocks 211 ~~328~~ in the old root block 200 starting with double indirect blocks 240 and 241 (there could also be triple indirect blocks). The double indirect blocks 240 and 241 include pointers to indirect blocks 250, 251 and 252. The indirect blocks 250, 251 and 252 include pointers that are directed to data leaf blocks 260, 261, 262, and 263 of the snapshot #1 201.